GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:29
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BASIC FACILITIES IN SCHOOLS
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether as per a survey conducted by the National University of Educational Planning and Administration for 2007-08, more than 50 per cent of Government elementary Schools in 11 States and Union Territories do not have toilets for students and 20 per cent of the schools do not have drinking water facility;

(b) if so, the details of the findings; and

(c) the reaction of the Government thereto and the remedial measures being taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT(SHRI ARJUN SINGH)

(a) to (c) : A statement is laid on the table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT AS REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PART (a) to (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 29 FOR 17.2.2009 ASKED BY SHRI C.K. CHANDRAPPAN AND SHRI GURUDAS DASGUPTA REGARDING BASIC FACILITIES IN SCHOOLS

(a) to (c) As per annual data collected from States/districts under the District Information System of Education,by the National University of Educational Planning and Administration for 2007-08,the number of elementary schools having drinking water facilities is 86.75% and 62.67% have toilets. This has grown from a level of 77% and 41% respectively, in 2003-04.

The Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan programme has so far sanctioned 1.93 lakh drinking water facilities and 2.64 lakh toilets to elementary schools while the Drinking Water Mission has provided 8.37 lakh drinking water facilities and the Total Sanitation Campaign 7.40 lakh toilets for schools.